

REMARKS

Claims 1-18 and 34-36 are pending. The rejections of the claims are respectfully traversed in light of the amendments and following remarks, and reconsideration is requested.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1-18 and 34-36 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Ha et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,593,979) (hereinafter “Ha”).

In rejecting the claims, the Examiner alleges in part in the Final Office Action dated May 18, 2004 that “Ha at least in figure 5 . . . shows engaging hole (410) in mold frame 400 and further the top chassis (300) having a second engaging hole (310) formed corresponding to the first engaging hole (410 seen in figure 1)”. The Examiner further alleges in part that Ha teaches in figure 1 “screws (not numbered) penetrate through holes 310 and 410” (e.g., fastening screws 786).

However, Ha clearly discloses that screw 786 does not pass through holes 310 and 410 (Ha, FIGS. 12-15) but passes outside the holes 310 and 410 (see in particular FIGS. 14 and 15, screw 786 passing outside of chassis 300 and mold frame 400).

In contrast, the present disclosure is directed toward a mold frame having an engaging hole, a top chassis engaged with the mold frame to fix the backlight assembly and the display unit therebetween with the top chassis having a second engaging hole, and an engaging device passing through the first and second engaging holes.

In particular, amended Claim 1 recites “a mold frame comprising a main panel, side walls surrounding the main panel and a first engaging hole formed through the main panel thereof; . . . a top chassis engaged with the mold frame to fix the backlight assembly and the display unit therebetween, the top chassis having a second engaging hole formed corresponding to the first engaging hole; and an engaging device passing through the first and second engaging holes,” in addition to other limitations.

Similarly, Claim 6 recites “a mold frame comprising a main panel, sidewalls surrounding the main panel and a first engaging hole formed through the main panel; . . . a top chassis engaged with the mold frame to fix the display unit and the backlight assembly therebetween, the top chassis having a second engaging hole formed corresponding to the first

engaging hole; . . . and an engaging device having one end engaged with the catching member, the engaging device penetrating through the first and second engaging holes to assemble the mold frame and the top chassis” in addition to other limitations.

Similarly, Claim 36 recites “a mold frame comprising a main panel, side walls surrounding the main panel and a first hole formed through the main panel; . . . a top chassis disposed on the display panel and having a second hole formed corresponding to the first hole; and an engaging device penetrating through the first hole and the second hole to fix the backlight assembly and the display panel between the mold framed and the top chassis,” in addition to other limitations.

Thus, because the cited references do not disclose or suggest all the limitations of Claims 1, 6, and 36, Claims 1, 6, and 36 are patentable over the cited references.

Claims 2-5 and 7-18, 34-35 are dependent upon Claims 1 and 6, respectively, and contain additional limitations that further distinguish them from the cited references. Therefore, Claims 2-5 and 7-18, 34-35 are allowable over the cited references for at least the same reasons provided above for Claims 1 and 6, respectively.

Accordingly, Applicants request withdrawal of the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102.

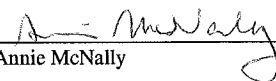
CONCLUSION

For the above reasons, Applicant believes Claims 1-18 and 34-36 are now in condition for allowance and allowance of the Application is hereby solicited. If the Examiner should have any questions, please telephone Applicant's Attorney at (949) 752-7040.

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